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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EWWT, ENRG, PGOV, NI, CGEN  
SUBJECT: MARITIME LAW: QUESTION OF RECIPROCAL RIGHTS FOR SURVEY  
CERTIFICATE

1. EXECUTIVES OF SANTE FE INTERNATIONAL CALLED ON EMBOFF MAY 3  
TO ASK IF U.S. REQUIRES NIGERIAN VESSELS WISHING TO OPERATE IN  
U.S. PORTS OR INLAND WATERS TO HAVE A SEPARATE U.S. SURVEY  
CERTIFICATE IF THEY HOLD A VALID NIGERIAN SURVEY CERTIFICATE ATTESTIN  
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TO COMPLIANCE WITH LOAD LINE AND SAFETY CONVENTIONS, ETC. (I.E.,  
EQUIVALENT TO U.S.C.G. REQUIREMENTS).

2. SANTE FE NOW OPERATING FOUR DRILLING UNITS IN NIGERIA REGISTERED  
UNDER U.S. FLAG AND PROPERLY CERTIFICATED. RECENTLY THEY WERE  
REQUESTED BY FMG OFFICIALS TO CERTIFY VESSELS UNDER NIGERIAN LAW.  
IF Y.S. OFFERS RECIPROCAL RIGHTS AS SET OUT IN PARA 1, SANTE FE  
OFFICIALS FEEL FMG WILL WAIVE THIS REQUIREMENT UNDER MERCHANT  
SHIPPING ACT OF 1962.

3. PLEASE ADVISE BY MAY 10 TO PREVENT UNDUE INTERFERENCE WITH  
OPERATION OF VESSELS.

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